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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

The reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 relates to the subject matter of the present invention and is brought to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §1.98.

Applicant hereby attaches a U.S. Patent Office Information Disclosure Statement Form, including a copy of the reference listed therein. The claims in the present application are believed to be patentably distinguished over the reference listed on the attached Form.

Reference DE 90 17 373 listed on the enclosed form was previously submitted in the information disclosure statement filed on January 18, 2006. However, the reference was not in the English language. Applicant is now submitting the English language translation for DE 90 17 373.

Also attached is the English translation of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability received in the priority Application No. PCT/DE2004/000721.

This prior art disclosure statement is being made pursuant to the duty of disclosure imposed by law and formulated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(A). No representation is made that the information thus disclosed in fact constitute prior art or that it is the closest prior art, inasmuch as 37 C.F.R. §1.56(A) relies on a materiality concept which depends on subjectivity.

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The Applicant hereby invites the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of the cited reference to determine the relevance to the subject matter of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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